



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Agenda Item No: 4.5

A10 Outline Business Case

To:	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board
Meeting Date:	26 January 2022
Public report:	Yes
Lead Member:	Mayor Dr Nik Johnson
From:	Rowland Potter, Head of Transport
Key decision:	Yes
Forward Plan ref:	KD2021/080
Recommendations:	<p>The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Note the outputs of the Cambridgeshire County Council Highways and Infrastructure Committee paper.b) Delegate authority to the Head of Transport, in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer, to develop the scope for the delivery of the Outline Business Case.c) Approve the release of £2m funding from the Department for Transport, to be spent in 2022-23, for the delivery of the Outline Business Case, and agree reprofiling the remaining 2021-22 budget into 2022-23.d) Subject to an extension to the existing DfT grant being agreed, delegate authority to the Head of Transport, in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer, to issue a capital grant funding agreement for the delivery of the outline business case by Cambridgeshire County Council.
Voting arrangements:	<p>Recommendation a) No vote required</p> <p>Recommendation b) A simple majority of Members present and voting</p>

Recommendation c) A vote in favour by at least two thirds of all Members (or their Substitute Members) appointed by the Constituent Councils present and voting, to include the Members appointed by Cambridgeshire County Council or Peterborough City Council, or their Substitute Members.

Recommendation d) A simple majority of Members present and voting

Any vote in favour must include the vote of the Mayor, or the Deputy Mayor acting in place of the Mayor, to be carried.

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To develop scope and progress the delivery of the A10 Outline Business case as a follow on from the A10 Strategic Outline Business case work.
- 1.2 In January 2018, Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) published a Preliminary Strategic Outline Business Case (PSOBC) for improvements to the transport network between Ely and Cambridge as part of the Ely to Cambridge Transport Study.
- 1.3 The CPCA completed a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) for dualling of the A10 and improvements to junctions on the route in 2020 and is seeking to progress to an Outline Business Case (OBC), which would identify a preferred option and undertake preliminary design. The OBC would be submitted to the Department for Transport (DfT) for consideration for further funding from its Major Road Network programme.
- 1.4 The CPCA has asked the County Council to undertake the Outline Business Case work. The current estimated cost of this stage of work is between £2M and £6M. The following funding is identified:
 - In July 2021 the DfT awarded £2M “for development work on the A10 Dualling and Junctions (Cambridge to Ely) scheme up to and including the production of an Outline Business Case (OBC) as defined in the DfT’s Transport Business Case guidance.”
 - The CPCA has an approved sum of £2M of funding for the outline business case stage within the medium-term financial plan (MTFP).
 - DfT has also indicated that CPCA has the opportunity to seek an additional £2m from the DfT as options emerge, depending on solutions proposed, for potential further technical development on which future funding decisions can be based.
- 1.5 These proposals were considered by the Transport and Infrastructure Committee on 12 January 2022. Following discussion, the Committee resolved unanimously to recommend the proposals to the Combined Authority Board for approval.
- 1.6 The Committee report and appendices can be viewed via the link below. Item 2.3 refers:

[Transport and Infrastructure Committee - 12 January 2022](#)

2. Appendices

- 2.1 None.

3. Background Papers

- 3.1 [Report to Cambridgeshire County Council's Highways and Transport Committee 7 December 2021 - A10 Ely to Cambridge OBC](#)